

***STEPPING UP TO THE CHALLENGE:  
DOMESTIC CLIMATE ACTION AND CARBON PRICING INSTRUMENTS***

As the world seeks to enhance climate mitigation efforts to hold warming below 2°C, many countries are already adopting innovative and cost effective approaches to greenhouse gas mitigation, including carbon pricing initiatives – such as domestic emissions trading schemes and carbon taxes. Pricing carbon is an essential element for achieving global mitigation targets.

The event "**Stepping up to the Challenge: Domestic Climate Action and Carbon Pricing Instruments**," organized by the [Partnership for Market Readiness \(PMR\)](#), will take place on **March 5, 2014 from 15:00 to 19:00 at the Hilton Reforma Hotel in Mexico, D.F.**

Featuring prominent speakers from Mexico, China, South Africa, Brazil, the European Commission and the United States, the event will showcase examples of innovative and progressive domestic climate action, including through the use of carbon pricing instruments. Country presentations will be followed by a discussion on the key drivers and challenges to generate support for enhanced national action on climate change.

**PMR at a Glance**

Established in 2011 by the World Bank, the Partnership for Market Readiness (PMR) brings together more than 30 countries\* whose actions are critical to global climate change mitigation efforts. The PMR supports countries to prepare and implement carbon pricing and other innovative instruments to scale up domestic greenhouse gas mitigation.

The PMR also serves as a global platform for country-to-country exchanges that support the collective pioneering of cost effective approaches to combat climate change. The PMR supports countries to move forward with national action plans that stimulate growth and competitiveness while lowering carbon emissions.

*\*PMR Participants include: Brazil, Chile, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, India, Indonesia, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Mexico, Morocco, Peru, South Africa, Thailand, Turkey, Tunisia, Ukraine, Vietnam, Australia, Denmark, the European Commission, Finland, Germany, Japan, the Netherlands, Norway, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, the United Kingdom and the United States. For more information about the PMR and its Participants, please visit <https://www.thepmr.org>*

***This event is open to the public, a reception will follow.***

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(RECEPTION TO FOLLOW)

**AGENDA**

**HOTEL HILTON REFORMA**

**DON DIEGO BALLROOM**

**AV. JUAREZ #70**

**REVILLAGIGEDO, CENTRO, CUAUHTÉMOC**

**MEXICO, D.F.**

*This event provides an opportunity for countries to share information and to discuss approaches and recent policy developments related to greenhouse gas mitigation, including carbon pricing initiatives.*

**Moderator: Mr. Juan Carlos Belausteguigoitia, Centro Mario Molina, Mexico**

15:00	<p><b>Opening Remarks</b></p> <p>Mr. Ede Jorge Ijjasz-Vasquez, Sector Director, Latin America and Caribbean, World Bank</p>
15:10	<p><b>Mexico's Climate Action</b></p> <p>Mr. Rodolfo Lacy Tamayo, Undersecretary of Planning and Environmental Policy, Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources (SEMARNAT), Mexico</p> <p><b>Climate Change Mitigation and Mexico's Urban and Housing Policy Development</b></p> <p>Mr. Alejandro Nieto Enriquez, Undersecretary for Urban Development and Housing, Land, Territorial and Urban Development (SEDATU), Mexico</p> <p><b>Q&amp;A</b></p>
16:00	<p><b>Pricing Carbon with a Carbon Tax: Coupling Domestic Offsets and a Carbon Tax in South Africa</b></p> <p>Mr. Peter Janoska, National Treasury, South Africa</p> <p><b>Pricing Carbon with an Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS): Update on China's ETS Pilots</b></p> <p>Mr. Wang Shu, National Development and Reform Commission (NDRC), China</p> <p><b>Domestic Emissions Trading: A Central Pillar to Decarbonize the EU Economy</b></p> <p>Mr. Martin Hession, DG Climate Action, the European Commission</p> <p><b>Q&amp;A</b></p>
17:00	<p><b>Coffee Break</b></p>
17:30	<p><b>Brazil's Domestic Mitigation Actions Before 2020</b></p> <p>Mr. Adriano Santhiago de Oliveira, Ministry of Environment, Brazil</p> <p><b>Q&amp;A</b></p>
18:00	<p><b>US Climate Action: Recent Developments</b></p> <p>Ms. Alexia Kelly, Office of Global Change, U.S. Department of State</p> <p><b>Q&amp;A</b></p>
18:30	<p><b>Closing Remarks and Wrap up</b></p> <p>Mr. Ede Jorge Ijjasz-Vasquez, Sector Director, Latin America and Caribbean, World Bank</p>
19:00	<p><b>Reception - Terraza Alameda</b></p>